

REMARKS

By this Response, the "Amendments to the claims" section of Applicants' Amendment dated October 19, 2004 is re-submitted to include a complete listing of all the claims and proper indication of the status of each claim.

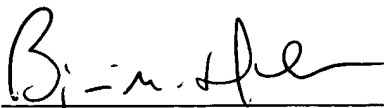
Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative by Examiner Nasser during a telephone conference conducted on December 8, 2004. During the conference, it was confirmed with Examiner Nasser that claims 112-192 are pending, claims 1-111 are canceled and claims 160, 161, 168 and 180 are now amended.

Prompt and favorable reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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